

Hollings Is Victor in So. Carolina

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(UPI)—South Carolina promoted Ernest F. Hollings from Lieutenant Governor to Governor today and the 36-year-old Charleston lawyer flew to his Columbia headquarters to claim his victory over Donald S. Russell.

Hollings issued a brief statement saying he wanted to "thank all the people" who worked for and supported him.

The former president of the University of South Carolina sent a telegram to Hollings which said: "I congratulate you upon your election as the next Governor of South Carolina. I wish for you success and happiness in your administration."

With only six precincts of nearly 1600 unreported, Hollings' lead over Russell was 45,328. Unofficial United Press International tabulations for 1590 of 1596 precincts gave Hollings 180,416 votes to 145,088 for Russell.

In the race for Adjutant General, Col. D. Pinckney won a landslide victory over retired Marine Col. Ted P. Watson. South Carolina is the only state that elects its Adjutant General.

Democratic nomination is tantamount to election in South Carolina and Hollings will succeed George Bell Timmerman Jr. next January. Hollings picked up chunks of votes in the textile counties which gave large totals to William C. Johnston in the first primary two weeks ago.

Oconee County, which went to Johnston in the first primary, went to Hollings today. Hollings also took Greenwood County from Russell. Johnston was eliminated in the first primary which Hollings led by 26,000 votes in a record turnout of 577,239. The vote also was heavy today.

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